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Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is:

- 1. Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111;
- 2. A Request for an Extension of Time of three months to and including February 21, 2002;
- 3. Copy of Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures;
- 4. Response to Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures Dated June 29, 2001;
- 5. Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f); Paper Copy of Sequence Listing; Computer Readable Form (CRF); and
- 6. A check for \$920.00 as the fee for the extension of time; and

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES DATED AUGUST 21, 2001

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This paper is submitted in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated August 21, 2001 for which the three-month date for response was November 21, 2001.

A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This three-month extension will bring the due date to February 21, 2002, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/10107932/SLH.

RESPONSE TO NOTICE

Submitted herewith is a Statement As Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f); paper copy of sequence listing and computer readable form (CRF) which comply with requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures.

Applicants believe that the attached documents fully respond to the Notice to Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures for this application.

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